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SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: FACILITATION (TRADE
DOCUMENTATION) WORKING GROUP

REF: STATE 164301

1. BEFORE BARINOV RETURNED SCIOFF CALL RE REFTTEL, KULINICHEV
(MIN FOREIGN TRADE) DELIVERED TO EMBASSY MESSAGE FROM SYURIN TO
REDDING ON SUBJECT MEETING. KULINICHEV STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN
TRYING WITHOUT SUCCESS TO TELEX FOLLOWING MESSAGE DIRECTLY TO
REDDING AT TELEX 892427.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: THIRD SESSION OF JOINT COMMITTEE WILL START
FIRST SEPTEMBER. THEREFORE, WE SUGGEST HOLDING SECOND SESSION
OF WORKING GROUP ON SIMPLIFICATION OF TRANSPORTATION TRADE
DOCUMENTATION FROM 27 TO 29 AUGUST. SUGGEST FOLLOWING AGENDA:

(A) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(B) SELECTION OF OFFICERS

(C) INFORMATION ABOUT THE AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM OF
THE USSR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE TRANSPORTATION SUBSYSTEM.

(D) UNIFICATION OF TRANSPORTATION DOCUMENTS USED IN USSR-US
TRADE/BILL OF LADING, COMMERCIAL INVOICE, SPECIAL CUSTOMS
INVOICE, ETC, AND SIMPLIFICATION OF PROCEDURES FOR THEIR
PRESENTATION

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(E) ACQUAINTANCE WITH SYSTEMS OF PREPARATION OF FOREIGN TRADE

DOCUMENTS AS WELL AS AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING USED AT THE USSR
FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATIONS

(F) THE PROGRAM OF USSR-US CARGO DATA INTERCHANGE DEMONSTRATION
VISIT BY THE AMERICAN DELEGATION TO LENINGRAD SEA PORT WITH THE
PURPOSE OF CLARIFYING THE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

(G) COMMODITY DESCRIPTION AND CODING

(H) SIMPLIFICATION OF PROCEDURES IN USSR-US MUTUAL TRADE
REQUIREMENTS OF THE USSR FOREIGN TRADE ORGZNIZATIONS WITH RESPECT
TO THE NOMENCLATURE COMPOSITION AND FORMS OF DOCUMENTS

(I) TIME, PLACE, AND PRELIMINARY AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING.

3. PLEASE CONFIRM RECEIPT OF THE PRESENT TELEX AS WELL AS INFORM
YOUR REMARKS. END QUOTE.

4. IN RESPONSE TO SCIOFF'S SUGGESTION OF 27 SEPTEMBER (REF),
KULINICHEV REPEATED IDEA THAT JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON 1
SEPT MAKES 27-29 AUGUST SUITABLE, BUT ADDED THAT SOVIETS WOULD
CONSIDER OTHER DATES IF MORE CONVENIENT FOR AMERICANS.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.
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